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The Defector's Dilemma: Soviet Spies in the CIA

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IMPERIAL AGENT: THE GOLENIEWSKI-
 ROMANOV CASE, by Guy Richards; Devin-Adair, \$5.95.

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The Communists are experts at espionage and subversion. The United States is their chief target. Their world-wide espionage system is run in parallel channels mainly by two chief organizations with headquarters in Moscow. The KGB, or secret police, controlled by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the USSR, which is the Supreme ruling body of the Communist Empire, is the most important espionage and subversive organization of the USSR. Its activities range the entire gamut from espionage to assassination of political opponents in the Western World.

The second Moscow organization in importance in the world of espionage is the GRU, or comparable to the United States military intelligence establishment. It also deals in subversion and political assassination techniques and takes its orders from the Central Committee of the USSR. These organizations, by sophisticated and complicated systems, also control all satellite espionage organizations, including a close liaison and supervision of Chinese Communist operations in the Western World.

The Goleniewski spy case provides veteran newsman Guy Richards (now on the staff of the "World-Journal-Tribune") with the opportunity to provide more documentation on the espionage network. He spent months in research and personal interviews with Goleniewski himself.

MICHAŁ Goleniewski escaped from behind the Iron Curtain and arrived in the United States in 1961. For many years he was a Polish officer in the Polish Armed Forces,

but under Soviet control and espionage. He reported to Mr. Leonid Brezhnev, Premier of the USSR, who at the time was chief Commissar of the Soviet Armed Forces. The duties of Brezhnev's office was to insure the loyalty of the Armed Forces to the Communist Party.

The Soviet Commissar and Goleniewski often discussed the abilities and functions of U.S. and other Western intelligence officials. Movements and acceptance in these high circles gave Goleniewski access to many of the USSR's highest intelligence secrets.

Goleniewski knew our intelligence agencies were penetrated by the Communist State Security organizations. However, a time came when Goleniewski finally persuaded

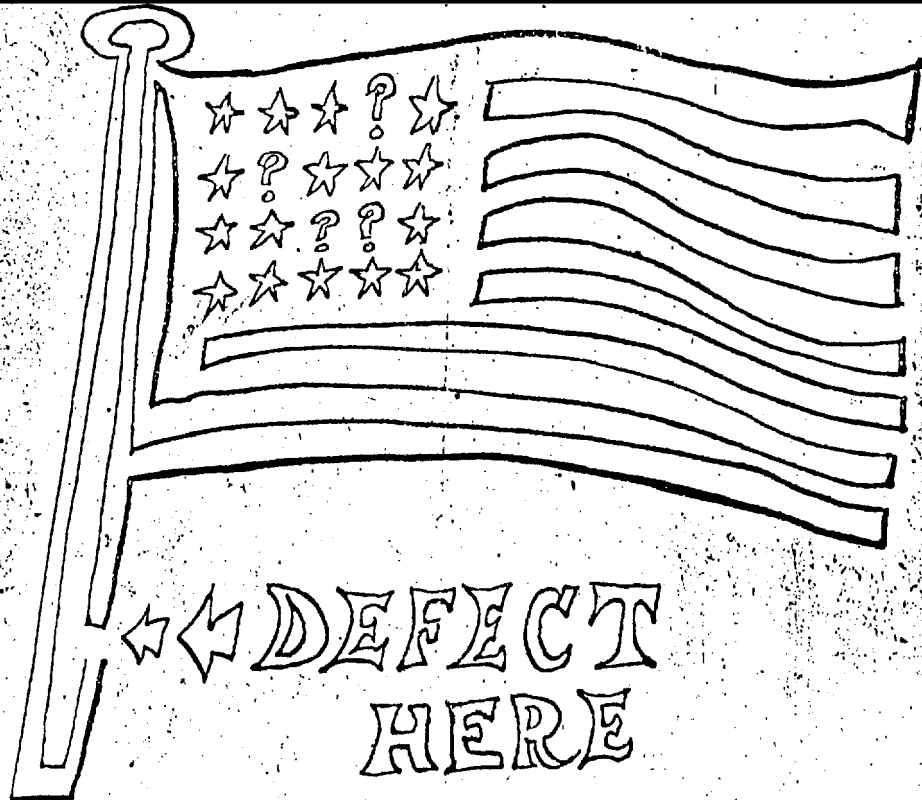
information could be supplied to the United States if, and only if, that information were going to J. Edgar Hoover of the FBI. The FBI, according to Goleniewski, is the only such agency in our country which is neither infiltrated nor penetrated by persons pretending to be on our side, but actually working for the Soviet KGB or GRU.

However, Goleniewski ran into one problem he had not foreseen. The information he thought was going to J. Edgar Hoover was being intercepted by the CIA, the one organization he wanted most to avoid.

He realized that if the CIA knew an underground was providing information to the West, that eventually a Soviet agent in the CIA would find the means to silence that underground. This was the

after he defected to the West, he was amazed that his interrogator was one of his own Soviet agents, an American. When confronted, the American boldly and arrogantly admitted he was a Sealinst and still a KGB agent.

Goleniewski's information provided the basis for the exposure of such English, Israeli, and Swedish spies as George Blake, Gordon Lansdale, Dr. Israel Beer, William John Vassal, and Colonel Stig Wennerstroem. But to this day, the CIA has still never exposed 18 of the 19 whom Goleniewski proved to be Soviet agents in U. S. agencies.



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